

**ALL HALLOWEEN'S DELIGHTS.**

Ducking for Apples and Other Sports of the Occasion.

Propose Marriage To-Night If You Would Be Lucky In Love.

To-night will be Halloween, or All-Hallow Eve, during which, according to the time-honored traditions of the Old World, graves yards yawn between midnight and 1 o'clock and the wreaths of saints return for sixty minutes to visit the scenes of their earthly pilgrimage. So-to-morrow known to the faithful as All Saints' Day.

In olden times the superstition of the annual return of the dead was firmly believed in, and the occasion was one of fasting and prayer, but in course of time Halloween became desecrated by the small boy, known as he considers it a night on which he can give free vent to his mischievous propensities.

The boys of New York have a variety of irritating pranks which they will make free use of to-night. One of the common ones is to walk behind a particularly well-dressed man and hang him between the shoulders with a thin stocking full of flour. Before he realizes that he has not been struck with a sandbag the imp will have disappeared.

Another popular form of amusement with the boys is to travel in bands armed with potatoes and cabbage stalks, and selecting a promising front door pelt all their ammunition at it daily.

Ringing doorbells, playing tick-tack on the window panes, dummying up barrels and removing gates and signs, is horse play with which all men who have ever been real boys are thoroughly familiar.

Then there is more innocent amusement which the "perfect little gentleman" may enjoy with his sisters and friends at home.

Ducking for apples or pieces of silver in a large washtub is the most popular of the indoor amusements.

It is great fun, too, to get a rosy-cheeked boy or girl clinging head first into the tub after the elusive apple or the heavier ten-cent piece. It is no common feat to pick a ten-cent piece from the bottom of a tub of water with the teeth.

After all, the most important proper thing to do is to pare it round without breaking the skin, and after it is peeled throw the paring over the right shoulder. Whatever semblance of a letter it forms as it drops on the ground is the initial of a future husband or wife.

A girl who wishes to really and truly dream of her life's mate that is to be should bake a nice cake this afternoon and precisely at 9 o'clock, to-night cut it seven times. Then, taking the smallest slice, she must put it under her pillow and sleep on it, after eating the other six pieces. The cake may be as small as she likes.

Another custom is to be blindfolded and then pick one of three plates containing earth, water and a ring. Should fate direct one's hand to the first it means death within the year; the second represents exile or travel, and the third means marriage surely.

In many families a big cake is cut at sunset in which a ring has been concealed by the hostess. Whichever one of the young people gets the piece of cake with the ring, may keep the table, and rest assured that before next Halloween she will be a miss no longer.

There are many other diversions suitable for the occasion, and no doubt they will all be gone over again as they were last year and probably will be again next year. Halloween is an event that bids fair to be observed annually, for years and years to come.

It is considered the luckiest night of the year, and to those who have not yet become engaged to-night will have the sainte to protect them and give them long life, happiness and healthy children and like.

The custom of observing Halloween was first observed in Scotland, it is believed, but it has spread until now it is known in every land where civilization has obtained any foothold.

**The Institute Fair.**

When the exhibition of the American Institute, which is now open at their exhibition hall on Third avenue, shall have closed on Nov. 20, the thirtieth anniversary fair under this venerable and well-known management will have passed the history of the Institute and into the pleasant remembrance of those who have visited it. Year after year the Institute has given every attraction to come to us and are enjoyed, not only by the old people but by the young people, and when 50 cents is the price charged for admission, the Institute is a good value. Fair is open from morning until night, but one can have an excuse for not visiting it, if he will wait until after 10 P.M., as it is interesting to see the new section of seeing something new. There is a good deal to study, and the many improvements shown in the various exhibition are notable indeed.

**Life Is Misery**

To thousands of people who have the taint of scrofula in their blood, the scenes cause by the dreadful running sores and other manifestations of this disease are beyond description. There is no remedy equal to Hooch's Sarsaparilla for scrofula, salt rheum and every form of blood disease. We know that it has cured several cases and will cure many more. Price 12½c. Hooch's Sarsaparilla, Sold by all druggists. Prepared by G. L. HOOD & CO., Lowell, Mass.

**THE LABOR QUESTION SETTLED.**

(With apologies to Paul.)



Labor Agitator. — What we want is recognition! What we want is recognition! What we want is the sympathy of the public! Now, how or we going to get it?

Why the Boys Were Split.  
From a French Press.  
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